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REGULAR SESSION  
SENATE TRANSCRIPT

8th Legislative Day

February 27, 2001

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The regular Session of the 92nd General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? Our prayer today will be given by Pastor Donald Pritchard, Zion Lutheran Church, Pleasant Plains, Illinois. Pastor Pritchard.

PASTOR DONALD PRITCHARD:

(Prayer by Pastor Donald Pritchard)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Radogno)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Reading of the Journal.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Journal of Tuesday, February 20th, 2001.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

Mr. President, I move that the Journal just read by the Secretary be approved, unless some Senator has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Myers moves to approve the Journal just read. There being no objection, so ordered. Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

Mr. President, I move that reading and approval of the Journals of Wednesday, February 21st, and Thursday, February 22nd, in the year 2001, be postponed, pending arrival of the printed Journals.

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Senator Myers moves to approve {sic} the Journal just read.  
There being no objection, so ordered. Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Syverson, Chair of the Committee on Public Health and Welfare, reports Senate Bills 149, 370, 371 and 382 Do Pass; and Senate Bill 168 Do Pass, as Amended.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Demuzio, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Thank you, Mr. President. Let the record reflect that Senators Hendon, Shaw and Trotter are absent today due to personal business and that -- that's just for today. And Senator Smith is also absent due to personal business, and she will not be here the remainder of the week.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The record will so indicate. Messages from the House.

SECRETARY HARRY:

A Message from the House by Mr. Rossi, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed bills of the following titles, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bills 10, 32, 126, 181, 196, 205, 216, 260, 281 and 289 (333). (Message on bill within parentheses received, but inadvertently not read into record)

All passed the House, February 22nd, 2001.

We have a like Message on House Bills 427, 442, 447, 469, 476, 494, 500.

All passed the House, February 23rd, 2001.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Myers, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MYERS:

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Mr. President, a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

State your point.

SENATOR MYERS:

I have two excellent couples from my district who are visiting today, Larry and Roseann Moss and Jim and Connie Houston, in the gallery to my right.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Will they please rise and be recognized by the Senate? Now I'll turn over the Chair to Senator Burzynski for the -- to introduce some people to the Senate. Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Good afternoon. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, if I could have your attention for just a minute, please. Over the last couple of weeks, we've had a litany of teams from my district that have been coming forward to you. Again, if I could have your attention for just one minute, please. Thank you very much. I'm very pleased to have a group of ladies here with me today who have the honor of being the Class A State Cross Country Champions from the Winnebago school district. And I'd like for you to help me welcome them here today. Now, it's not only great that these ladies are here today because they're State champions this year, but as my football team that came down a couple of weeks ago, these are repeat champions from last year as well. That's -- Senator Noland, we know that you have a problem with that, since most of the time they beat people in your district. But we're very pleased that they're here with us today. These young ladies exemplify everything that being student athletes is all about: dedication, hard work. And if any of you have ever run cross country, or have had a relative or whatever that runs cross country, you know what I mean by dedication. And we're very pleased that they're here today with their Coach, Roger

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Fredrickson, and I think he's going to make a couple of introductions. And we're certainly very proud of them. And -- and by the way, it's not always bad to be a fast woman. These are fast ladies up here. Coach.

COACH ROGER FREDRICKSON:

(Remarks and Introductions by Coach Roger Fredrickson)

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you. Thank you, again, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, and thank you for your patience. Have a good day.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Resolutions.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 46, offered by Senator O'Malley and all Members.

Senate Resolution 47, by Senator Halvorson and all Members.

Senate Resolution 48, by Senator Lightford and all Members.

Senate Resolution 49, by Senator Lauzen and all Members.

And Senate Resolution 50, by Senator Smith and all Members.

They're all death resolutions, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Without objection, Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolutions 51 through 56, offered by Senator Molaro.

Senate Resolutions 57 through 60, by Senators Molaro and Emil Jones.

Senate Joint Resolution 12, offered by Senator Emil Jones and Senator Obama.

And Senate Joint Resolution 12 {sic} (13), Constitutional Amendment, offered by Senator Demuzio.

They're all substantive.

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Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, please note, on page 2 of

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today's Calendar is the Order of Senate Bills 2nd Reading. And the Order -- it starts -- it's on page 2 and it's the -- Senators Bowles, Shadid and Dillard have the first three. We are on the business of 2nd Reading. On the Order of 2nd Reading, Senate Bill 8. Senator Bowles? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 8.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senator Shadid? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.  
Senate Bill 12.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 12.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Agriculture and Conservation adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 31. Senator Dillard? Could we please have your attention so that the bills can be heard? Ladies and Gentlemen, please. Thank you. Senate Bill 31. Senator Dillard? We'll proceed -- out of the record. Senate Bill 37. Senator Silverstein? Senator Silverstein? Read the bill, Senator -- Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 37.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 50. Senator Syverson? Senator Syverson, Senate Bill 50? Read the bill. Mr. Secretary. Do you wish the bill to be read? Out of the record. Senator Syverson, Senate Bill -- oh! I'm sorry. Senator -- Senate Bill 64. Senator Silverstein? Out of the record. Senate Bill 65. Senator Silverstein? Senate Bill 65. Read the bill, Mr. -- Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 65.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 93. Senator Rauschenberger? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 93.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 95. Senator Peterson? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 95.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 101. Senator Sieben? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 101.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or -- or, no -- Committee on...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Were there any amendments with that?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. We'll recall Senate Bill 95, Senator Peterson. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary. We'll -- Senator Peterson requests Senate Bill 95 to be recalled back to 2nd -- to the Order of 2nd Reading. Hearing no objection, we're going back to 2nd Reading on Senate Bill 95. Mr. Secretary, will you read the bill? Any amendments on the bill?

SECRETARY HARRY:

The Committee on Local Government adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. House Bills 1st Reading. Page 2.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 10, offered by Senator Lauzen.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 31, offered by Senator Lisa Madigan.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill -- pardon me, House Bill 32, offered by Senator Rauschenberger.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 111, offered by Senator Ronen.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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House Bill 126, offered by Senator Dillard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 127, offered by Senator Myers.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 171, offered by Senator Noland.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 232, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 258, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 281, offered by Senator Donahue.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 333, offered by Senator Watson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. I rise to make an announcement. I just want to remind the Members, both Republicans and the Democrats, who have the privilege of serving on the Appropriation Committee, that we are going to have a short meeting tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock in Room 212. If everybody could try to be on time. We may be taking some action on supplemental issues. So 8 o'clock tomorrow morning, Room 212. I know it's early, and we apologize for the hour. But in order to meet the rest of the committee blocks, please try to be there at 8.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

I'll repeat: Appropriations Committee meeting, 8 a.m. sharp, in Room 212, tomorrow, Wednesday. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, if I can have your attention, please. When we adjourn today, we will be reconvening at 9 a.m. tomorrow morning. Senator



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Parker, did you wish the Floor? Senator Parker.

SENATOR PARKER:

Yes, Madam President. I'd like to announce that the -- our Transportation meeting tomorrow morning will not be at 9 o'clock, but will be at 9:30 tomorrow morning.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Transportation meeting tomorrow morning, 9:30 a.m. Senator Mahar.

SENATOR MAHAR:

Thank you, Madam President. Likewise, the Senate Environment and Energy Committee will meet at 9:30 tomorrow morning.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senate Energy and Environment Committee at 9:30 tomorrow morning. Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Madam President, Senate Education Committee will convene at 9:30, in Room 212, tomorrow.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senate Education Committee will convene at 9:30 tomorrow morning, in Room 212. Any further announcements? Is there any further business to come before the -- the Senate? If not... Any further business to come before the Senate? If not, Senator Wendell Jones moves the Senate stand adjourned until the hour of 9 a.m., Wednesday, February 28, 2001. 9 a.m. tomorrow.